Application Number 10/646,266 Response to Interview of 1 February 2005

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicant's representative thanks the Examiner for his helpful suggestions in amending the claims.

I. Claim Status

Claims 1-8 are pending in the instant application. Upon entry of this amendment, claim 2 will be pending. Claims 1, and 3-8 are canceled without prejudice. Claim 2 is currently amended.

II. Restriction/Election

A. Restriction

Claims 1-8 were subject to a requirement for restriction as follows:

- I. Claim 1, IN PART, drawn to a crystal form of 2-amino-7-(ethanimidoylamino)-2-methylhept-5-enoic acid, wherein the said salt is not embraced in the salts described in claims 2 and 3, classified in class 562, subclass 460.
- II. Claims 1, IN PART, and 2, 3 and 4, drawn to a crystal form of 2-amino-7-(ethanimidoylamino)-2-methylhept-5-enoic acid wherein the said salts are described in claims 2 and 3 and pharmaceutical compositions comprising the same, classified in class 562, subclass 460.
- III. Claims 5-7 drawn to methods for the prophylaxis OR treatment of any clinical condition in a mammal for which an inhibitor of nitric oxide synthase is indicated and method of use of compounds described in claim 1 in the manufacture of medicaments, classified in different classes and subclasses.